"We, the undersigned, citizens of New York, have known Mr. John L. Mofat of the firm of Wiknarth, Mofat & Curtis, for many years.

"Some of us have had frequent occasion for his services as an assayer of cres, sud gold and sliver. We cheerfully unite in the citying to his skill and abilities as an assayer and motalisarist, his incorroughlie integrity a diract workiness, his high standing in his prefession, and his uniform excellence as a man.

"JAS T. TALMAN. D. EBERTS.

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"SAMUEL J. BEFBEE. F. W. EDMONDS,

"RUSSELL H. NEVINS, SHEPHERD KNAPP,

"JACOB LITTLE. GEO J. GELSTON,

"The merchants and bakers of New York, who have subscribed the above stalement, are gentlemen of the highest respectability."

"I saw Frof. Benjamin Hardings put up his works at the corner of Jane and Washington streets in this city. I saw him dissolve large quantities of quarta in water, and water only. He took the water from the city nydrant and conducted it through a pipe to his digester for boiler; keeping it in rotary motion by his hollow shaft and gearing while ne put in his quartz. He then let in his highly beated steam, and the solution was completed in about an flour. I saw Prof. H., with his laboring man filling up a great number of fifteen-galion cane of the tiquor of flint werre buried in the ruiss of the great fire which originated in the premises next adjoining. Prof. H. had no invariance. I know Prof. H. to be one of the most thoroughly energetic men I ever knew. The facility with which he erected his works and put them into operation in person; his mechanical genius and seeming familiarity with everything, were the admiration o everybody who knew him. His presence always cultivane toose sround him. I caserfully hand him these statements with an houset riew to remove any doubts of the facts above stated.

"No. 679 Eighth avenue."

I am, Sir, your obedient servant,

BENJAMIN HARDINGE.

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MARINE AFFAIRS.

TOTAL LOSS OF THE PACKET-SHIP CON-FEDERATION.

DEATH OF CAPT. CORNING AND HIS MATE. By the last mail from Liverpool we have details of the total less, in the River Mersey, of the ship Confederation, of this port, together with her communder, Capt. Asa Corning, the first mate and one of the crew. The ship had grounded in the severe gale of the morning of the 23d ult., when the wife of Capt. Corning and the crew, with the foregoing exceptions, were rescued. Capt. Coming decided that he would stay by the ship; his mate, who had long been with him, would not leave him. After the departure of the crew and others, the gale, which had somewhat abated, increased in violence through the night.

In the morning not a vestige of the ship and her heroic officers could be found; all had been swallowed up by the waves of the sea, a total loss of one of the largest and finest ships out of this port; but far more than this-the loss of two of the most heroic of our

, Capt. Corning was the son of Capt. Ephraim Corning of Brooklyn, for many years a merchant in this city, now retired, and the brother of Mr. H. K. Corning of Brooklyn, a well-known shipping merchant. The ship was owned by the Captain, his father and

In Capt. Asa Corning the mercantile marine and the country have lost one of the noblest specimens of the true American sailor-a man who knew no path but that of duty-who died a sacrifice to that principle, and one who has left behind him a large number of mourning relatives and friends, who have the consolation at least of knowing that in his death he has left a bright example to the young American sailor.

THE FILOT-BOAT WASHINGTON, NO. 2, MISSING The pilot-boat Washington, No. 2, has not been heard from since January 17, and it is supposed that she was the small schooner or pilot-boat which the Empire City ran into and sunk on her first night out. The night was so dark that the people on the steamer could not discern what vessel she ran down, and it does not appear that they made any attempt to save the lives of those on board. It is not improbable, however, that the pilot-boat may have foundered in the great storm of the 18th, and that the steamer ran down some other vessel.

AN UNKNOWN STEAMSHIP IN DISTRESS OUTSIDE SANDY

MOOK.

Capt. Russell of the ship Sheridan, on his arrival at this port on Friday last, reported that he passed a four masted screw steamer at 2 o'clock on Friday morning, apparently disabled in her rudder, and nearly unmanageable. The only light on board the steamer was in the binnacle. Capt. Russell could not obtain her and which the officer of the steamer returned to his hail was a prolonged A. From the difficulty the officers of the steamer found in steering clear of the packet-ship, the captain of the latter concluded that there was something the matter with her helm, and that she was probably making an effort to reach this port with the mizzen-spencer and jiggermast sail, and a spar rigged astern as steering apparatus. The machinery of the unknown steamship in good working order, but her steering was just like that of a rudderless steamer. It was supposed that this vessel was the Cadiz, which left Havre for this port Jan. 2, and has several times been onliged to put back; but when last heard from she was in Plymouth Harbor, undergoing repairs. Besides which, we learn from Mesers. Pourrier, her agents, that she has but three masts. The screw steamers City of Manchester, for Liverpool, and Tempest, for Glasgow, both sailed on Thursday, and it might have been one of these vessels that was spoken; but Capt. Russell says the sound he heard was much shorter than either of these names. No movement had been made by the underwriters up to last evening to send any assistance

OPPNING OF SOUND NAVIGATION. The Sound steambosts commenced their regular trips yesterday afternoon at 4 o'clock. The C. Vanderbilt of the Stonington line, the Empire State of the Fall River line, and the Worcester of the Norwich route, left for their respective destinations, with passengers and an immense amount of freight for Boston. This morning, the Commodore, from Stonington; the State of Maine, from Fall River, and the Connecticut, from Norwich, may be expected at this port. The New-Haven and Bridgeport boats are also running. LATEST FROM HAMPTON ROADS.

Capt. Joseph H. Toone arrived on Sunday evening from Hampton Roads, and reports that all of the vessels lately ice-bound in that locality are now in safety, and most of them have proceeded to their destined ports. The probable loss to the underwriters from damage sustained by the distressed fleet, and the exenses of the relief expedition, will exceed \$200,000.

THE NEW TUG-BOAT FALCON. The steamship Falcon has been altered into a tugboat, and will henceforth, under the command of Capt. Richard Brown, be employed for towing purposes in this port. She is also designed to act as a relief vessel in the harbor and along the coast, and in this respect will perform a service long needed by our memantile ma rine. As a relief steamer she has ample cabin accommodations for any number of passengers that may be on a stranded vessel, and she will be well furnished with provisions and water. During times when danger is most finminent she will cruise along the coast, and her supply of coal, when starting from the city, being kept o the standard of three hundred and fifty tune, if found necessary she may remain outside for a month at a time. The Falcon has an engine of great power, registers nine hundred tuns, and could relieve an ordicary ship of her cargo. With this tug-boat and the oth tug Wm. H. Webb, much may be done toward aiding distressed vessels in the vicinity of Sandy

The Hamburg steamer Borussia left yesterday for Hamburg, with eight cabin passengers and forty-six in the steerage, \$1,500 in specie, and a full cargo. The

French steamer Vigo, Capt. Sharp, sailed at the same time, for Havre, with seven passengers, among whom we notice Mr. Ciaxton, United States Consulat Moscow. She took out also a large freight

Commodore Bigelow, for some time past stationed at the Brooklyn Navy Yard, has resigned his commission. Commodore Long succeeds to the command at Brocklyn.

BRUTAL MURDER OF A SLAVE BT HIS OWNER.—Michael Boylau, a Germen, residing on Lover's Laue, near this city, was arrested yesterday by Sergeant Wilson and Privates Richardson, and Waller, of the Mounted Police, on a charge of whipping his own slave, a man named Stepney, to death. The circumstances of this outrage, as we have learned them, are as follows: It appears that the negro had been runaway for some time, and was taken on Tuesday last and carried to jail by Constable Jones. He was then whipped, and turned over to his master. Yesterday, Boylan, while under the influence of liquor, renewed the punishment, and continued it until the negro sank uncer the infliction, and died. When Sergeant Wilson arrived at the spot the negro was lying on the ground, lifeless, and Boylan by the side of him, completely stupified by liquor. The latter, together with his nephew, whose name we did not learn, were arrested and carried before Justice Russel, who committed them both to iail for further examination. Sergeant Wilson is of opinion that but for his prompt arrival on the spot the negro would have been buried and the crime concealed, as the coffin was already prepared and a hole dug to receive it. We are shocked to record such a crime in our midst, and trust that the law will be rigidly enforced against the offender. [Savannah Rep., Feb. 6. BRUTAL MURDER OF A SLAVE BY HIS OWNER. - MI

## PUBLIC MEETINGS.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN.

MONDAY, Feb. 16 .- Ald. JOHN CLANCY, President,

Mondat, Feb. 16.—Ald. John Clancy, President, in the chair.

The Chief-Engineer—The Committee reported to confirm the election of Henry H. Howard, esq., as Chief-Engineer of the Fire Department, and their report was adopted by 16 to 1.

Central Park—Ald. Tucker presented a resolution, requesting the Connection to the Corporation to comply with previous resolutions relating to the powers, duties, to, of the Central Park Commissioners. Adopted.

The New Market—The Committee on Marke's presented a report adverse to the perition of David Palmer, President of the Dry Dock Company, to sell land for a market between Tenth and Eleventh streets, East River. The same report recommends a concurrence with the Councilmen to purchase the lots of Mr. Lowber. Laid on the table and ordered spinited.

The Harlem Railroad-Ald. McSpenon offered a

The Harlem Raulroad—Ald. McSpedon offered a resolution to direct the Harlem Rairoad Company to make their thack in the Bowery in perfect order, and that K the same is not compiled with, to give the right of a track in the Bowery to the Third avenue Rairoad Company. Adopted.

The Proposed Stage Route—The subject of the new stape toute in Leanington secure and other streets, through Broadway to the South Ferry, came up as the special order, and both reports—the minority are majority—were test. The majority by 10 to 10, and the minority for want of a constitutional vote—the vote of 11 to 10. A motion to reconsider was lost, and the chambers rang with appliance from the jobby.

The South Annual Report of the Fire Marshal was received and ordered on file.

The Board adjourned to Wednesday.

BOARD OF COUNCILMEN.
Monday, Frs. 16.—The President, Jonas N.
Publish, in the chair.
Immediately after the reading of the minutes of the
previous meeting, Mr. Ottakson offered the subjoined

previous meeting, Mr. Ottakson offered the subjoined preamble and resolutions:

Whereas, at the last meeting of the Board of Councilmen a resolution was received from the Board of Aldermen, and, notwithstanding the opposition of several members, was adopted by this Board on the same night of its origin and adoption by the Alcermen; and

Whereas, such action by this Board is in direct violation of Section 5 of the amended chaster of 1849, which declares that "no act, resolution or ordinance which shall have passed one "Board shall be acted on by the other Board upon the same "day, unless by unanimous consent, except in cases of inva"aften insurrection or pestilence," and
Whereas, The visit of the honorable Senator from California cannot justly be considered a "pestilence," and that no "invasion" or "in surrection" existed at the time of the adoption of the resolution; therefore,
Recoved, That so much of the minutes as has reference to the resolution complimentary to the Hon. David C. Broderick, except its reception "as papers from the Board of Aldermen," be stricken out.

Mr. McCalilli, objected to the passage of the reso-

be stricken out.

Mr. McCantll. objected to the passage of the resolution, and moved it be laid under the table.

The President ruled the resolution out of order.

Mr. Ottarson urged that the vote on the final adoption was incorrect, independent of which the resolution had been adopted lightly. In view of these facts, therefore, he thought that the action had better be expunged from the minutes.

minutes.

Mr. Haswell said that the record could not be altered, even though erroneous and illegal, though the Board could take such action as it saw fit on the question of the approval of the minutes.

It was then moved that the resolution of Mr. Ottarson lie on the table. The motion was carried, Mr. Ottarson only voting in Mr. negative.

the table. The motion was carried, and referred the following in the negative.

The Board then received and referred the following Petitions—Of Hook and Ladder Company No. 4 to be reimbursed for sums paid out.

Of C. C. Abel to be appointed the translator of the Dutch archives of the City of New York.

To have Fortieth street, from First to Second avenue, opened. Of various parties to have Robinson street widened on the north alon.

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Of Engine Company No. 8 for a smaller-class engine.

Resolutions—To extend and widen Crosby street, from chambers street south and living place north. Referred.

To regulate and grade One-hundred and thirtiest street, from Third to Fourth avenue. Reterred.

To regulate Shty-second street, between Lexington and Fourth avenue. Referred.

Reports of Committees—Finance—In favor of reimbursing W. F. Havemeyer for expenses incurred in defending a unit to false imprisonment while Mayor of New-York. Referred to Committee of the Whole.

Assessments—In favor of confirming assessment lists for flagging Variok street between S, ring and Vandam streets, for sewer in Futy-first street; for flagging Forty-first street; for sewer in Sourch avenue; for opening Central Park; for sewer in Bedford street. Referred to Committee of the Whole.

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Roads—In favor of building a dry parapet wall on Fifth avenue between Fifty-fourth and Fifty-ninth streets; in favor of paving Seventy-ointh street.

Papers from the Board of Aldermen—In favor of confirming the nomination of Henry H. Howard as Chief Engineer of the Fire Department. Adopted.

Moyor's Veto—Pre Mayor returned without his approval certain resolutions relative to the removal of the Quaranthe, first became the Health Officers of last season were complimented therein, which officers he thinks descreed censure rather than compliment; and, secondly, because he believes the movement to be a speculation in property, and not a movement having in view the health of the city.

Communication from the Controller.—The Controller staces that he shall refuse to pay moneys to The Sanday Leader for Corporation advertising, because the awarding of the contract was fliegal—the Control requiring that all sums paid on the the city over \$250 shall be given by contract to the lowest bilder; and because the Fresident of the Board of Audermea is one of the proprietors of the paper—the Charter making it some of the proprietors of the paper—the Charter making it

is one of the proprietors of the paper—the Charter making illegal for any member of either Board to be interested in an contract under the City Government.

The Board then adjourned to Wednesday.

## PERSEVERING BURGLARS.

LARGE AMOUNT OF GOODS STOLEN.

On Sunday evening, about 71 o'clock, Officer Girvin, of the Fifth Ward Police, was on duty in Duane street, near the corner of Church, when he espied a man in a wagon whose conduct he thought to be suspicious. This fellow drove his borse and wagon up an alley-way in Church street, from which he soon afterward emerged with a bundle in his hand. The individual, who cave his name as Gerard Hale, was promptly arrested, and on being led back into the alley officer saw another man in the wagon which Hale had ust abandoned.

Becoming frightened the man in the vehicle jumped out and ran off before the officer had time to procure assistance. Having Hale in custody at the time, Officer Girvin could do nothing himself toward capturing the fugitive. Other officers soon being on the spot the wagon was searched and found to contain 24 pieces of the most costly dress suks and 17 pieces of velvet vestings. The officers being satisfied, beyond a doubt, that the goods were the proceeds of a burglary which had been committed in that immediate neighborhood, put the prisoner into the wagon, and with the property in question, drove off to the Station House, where they deposited the goods, locked up Hale and took care of the herse and wagon. Officer Girvin and several of his associates then returned to where the arrest was made, and by means of dark lanterns made a thorough search of several stores.

It was discovered that a padlock on an outer door of the gas-house, or as it is more generally called, a gasometer, acjoining the store of Messrs. Wilson, Migley & Jennings, corner of Church and Duane streets, had been wrenched off. Following up the clue thus given, the officers wandered for a considerable length of time among the gasy premises, and were rewarded for their trouble by discovering a large hole made through the solid brick walls of the two buildings and leading into the silk and cloth store of the above-named firm. The officers passed through the aperture thus made, and ascending a flight of stairs in the rear of the room, found that a panel had been out from a door commuscating with the room in which the large stock of

costly goods as deposited.

The hole in the door enabled the burglars to remove the fastenings thereof, and carry off the booty as suited them. The hole in the wall was of sufficient size to

admit a common-tized barrel. Solid bricks and lime mortar three feet in thickness had been removed by the burgiars, who must have been at work at the job not less than twenty-four hours. Their implements of trade (a powerful jimmy, two heavy picks, chise's,

&c ) were found and taken care of. The goods stolen were valued at about \$3 000, and with the exception of a few pieces of satin, have all been recovered. The prisoner Hale was taken before Justice Osborn and faily committed to the Tombs for trial. He has been recognized by Mr. Wilson, one of firm robbed, as the fellow who a few days ago called to see him on some pretended matter of business, but in reality to take a survey of the premises. Hale refuses to give any information touching the name or when aboute of his confederates in the burgiary. The horse found in possession of the villains is a fine dark bay animal; the wagon is light strong, and valuable. Officer Girvin is entitled to much credit for the sacracity and prompt action he exercised in the matter, and but for his exertions both the burgiar and the goods

THE BOND STREET MURDER.

would have been gone.

THE CASE BEFORE THE GRAND JURY.

CHARGE OF RECORDER SMITH. The Prisoners before the Coroner.

SINGULAR REPLY OF SNODGRASS.

The Grand Jury being about to enter upon the in

vestigation of the facts connected with the murder of Dr. Burdell, Recorder Smith delivered to them the fol-

lowing charge yesterday in the Court of General Ses GENTLEMEN OF THE JURY : I was informed this morning by the Public Prosecutor that the case against Eckel, Mrs. Cunningham and Spedgrass would be presented for your consideration to-day. That case has occupied a great deal of public attention for the last few days, and probably there are very few individuals in the community who have not expressed, and perhape formed some opinion with regard to it. When a question is presented to a Grand Inquest under such circumstances, it is very proper indeed that that question, presented under such excitement, should be scrutinized with the greatest possible care. The charge being one so heinous in its nature, one which, if an indictment be found, whether conviction should or should not follow, which will be the means of destroying, so far as this life is concerned, the prospects of the parties involved, inflicting also misery and wretchedness on others who are innocent of it in some respect, and still others who are entirely dependent on them. But still, however serious the conequences, no matter what the results that follow, the duty of the grand inquest is very plain. They are to examine into the facts which are presented, and as their conscience dictates, according to the oath, which is exceedingly comprehensive, and upon that con-viction it is their duty to act. There has been much testimony given in this case which is entirely irrelevant, and one of the objects in my addressing you upon this subject at all is for the purpose of saving you time, and of calling your attention to such portions of the case and such facts in the case only as will be necessary for you to act upon, without going through this mass of testimony—some of it having a very indirect bearing and some of it having no bearing at all on the question. The first question in the case which it will be necessary for you to inquire into is the question of motive-fa without that crime is never committed. And in a case of murder, so important is it that the very first inquiry which is presented to the consideration of tag-jury is, "What is the motive which induced the act?" There will be no question here as to the fact that a murder has been committed; then you will inquire who are the parties, or rather if those parties charged by the Coroner's Jury be the parties, for your duties are different from those which devolve upon a C-roner's Jury. The charge which comes before you is made against specific parties, and, therefore, instead of having to wade through the whole mass of testimony, you have persons presented who are a ready charged this by the Coroner; therefore you will inquire as to the motive, if any, which these persons, or any of them, had to commit this crime, and if the opportunity in the case existed for them to commit the crime.

Those are two important questions which you must first be satisfied of. After investigating those two questions, the next question to be investigated by you will be, is there any evidence—even if you should find that there was motive sufficient, that opportunity existed. The next question, and an important question too, is, is there any evidence in this case which points to these persons as the guilty parties. That is the third question for you to pass upon. There is a very great distinction between moral and legal evidence. That distinction, also, you will bear in mind, and the important question, probably, in this case, and the one to which your attention will be principally directed with be the establishment of that fact. "Is there any evidence connecting any of these parties with the commis-'sion of the act itself?" I do not propose to go into the testimony in this case, or to call your attention to any portion of it, but merely to direct your attention to the questions which it is necessary for you to find in this case, or to the facts which it is necessary for you to find before the parties are presented. It is a mistaken idea that indictments are to be found by grand inquests without sufficient evidence to satisfy them, if they were sitting as petit jurors, and that evidence were unexplained to their satisfaction, that the parties are guilty. Therefore, it is a safe rule to guide you, in all cases, if upon the evidence that is presented to you, if that evidence was uncontradicted, and of course you proceeding are ex parts (the prisoners in the case having no right to be heard in their own defense), if, therefore, in such a state of facts you will be satisfied as petit jurers to convict the parties, then it is your duty to present them for trial before a petit jury; unless you are estisfied of that fact it would be injustice to the parties who are charged, no matter how strong the noral evidence may be, on the queetion presented. It is upon legal evidence, and legal evidence alone, that the law holds parties responsible to answer. It has been suggested that some one of your number has been a witnesse before the Coroner's inquest in this case. If such is the fact, I would suggest the propriety of that gentieman being excused during the pen dency of this question before you, so that whatever your finding in this case may be the public shall be satisfied with your acts. It is one, as I be fore remarked, of great moment; one which has produced such an effect as has been rarely produced by any criminal act. Although murders are committed frequently, are almost of daily occurrence, yet it seems to me that this has taken that hold on the public mind which for the time has absorbed every other question; almost every other kind of crime has been overshadowed and forgotten. Therefore, it is a very responsi-

your duty. EXAMINATION OF THE PARTIES IMPLI-CATED.

ble duty which devolves upon you in this case to per-

form, and one which I have no doubt will be performed

by you to the entire satisfaction of the community.

You will now proceed, gentlemen, to the discharge of

Coroner Connery yesterday examined John J. Eckel, Emma Augusta Cunningham or Burdell, and Geo. Vall seedgrase, the persons implicated in the murder of the late Dect. Harvey Burdell, at No. 31 Bond street.

Eckel stated that he is 34 years of age, was born Morristowa, New Jersey, and by occupation is a dealer is bides and fat. In relation to the charge against him "I can say no more than that I am innecest of the

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Mrs. Cunningbam et Burdell, states that she is 3 years of age, was been in New York, and never had any scoupedies except that of a mother and wife.

In relation to the charge against her she said:

been in Trey, N. Y., and by accupation is an entry clerk. In relation to the charge against him, he said: "I am satirely innecest. I know nothing of the facts relative to the murder of Dr. Bardell. If any one knows enything about the murder, in the family, \$ thick it is Miss Augusta Canningham or her mother. Understand me -that is, if the murder was perpe-trated by any of the inmates of the house."

"I most certainly say that I am entirely innocent

Soodgrase stated that he is 18 years of age, was

At the close of the examination the parties were recommitted to prison to await the action of the Grand

Jury, The following letter, poetmarked Cincinnati, Ohio, ad addressed to Eckel, was received by him yesterday:

"CISCINNATI, Feb. 15, 1857.

"Mr. John J. Ecker.—The murderer of Dr. Burdell laughs at the surmises of the d—d fools of New-York City. I am truly serry for you that'you are suspected, for it is my crime, not yours, and the authorities can go to b—I and carch me i? they can.

"Yours. A BOLD WRITER."

CITY ITEMS.

HUNBUGS. - We carefully endeavor to exclude all windling severtisements from our columns, but in many instances they are so acroitly worded that the imposition is not apparent on the face of the thing, and the modus operandi of the cheat will only be discovered by the unsuspecting victim who loses his money by it. It is impossible to make a rule for the reception of advertisements which may not sometimes be evaded by the cunning of these petty scamps, who, rather than work for their bread, prefer to make a living by stealing three cents at a time. We can only give our readers a few words of general caution against these fellows; suggesting, at the same time, that they exercise their own reason a little before answering any advertisement demanding cash in advance for information to be afterward communicated, and to decline sending their money to a person who seems not to have "a local habitation and a name," but can only be reached through box No. 1,001 at the Post-Office. The man who offers to "guarantee a certain fortune on the receipt of \$1"—the other man who has "an "important secret, worth thousands of dollars to any one, which he will send on receiving one three-cent "postage stamp"—the fellow who cures consumption and fits in return for the names of ten individuals—the chap who will procure situations at most extraordinary salaries for 50 clerks, if they will remit him a certain number of postage stamps in advance-the fellow who wants "100 agents in a light, easy business, where "they can make from \$200 to \$1,000 a month," and who demands of each one a small preliminary deposit of \$5-the "retired clergy man," who has an invalu able secret to sell for two postage stamps, and the retired physician, whose sands of tife are nearly run out," and who has another invaluable secret to sell for some more stamps, are all true philanthropists of the most disinterested kind, for all are we know to the contrary; but we respectfully submit that there is room for a huge doubt. We sincerely hope that this timely word will put on their guard any of our country read ers who, unknowing and unsuspicious of city tricks, may have been on the point of making permanent investments with these gentry; but if, in the face of this warning, they persist in experimenting for themselves, we have no doubt their after experience will thoroughly convince them of the truth of the old proverb, "A fool and his money are soon parted."

John C. Underwood, esq., late of Virginia, will read a paper this evening before the Historical Society, in be small Chapel of the University, at 71 o'clock. understand that on the present occasion the meeting is open to the families and friends of members.

The Hutchinson Family give their farewell concert to the citizens of New-York, at the Tabernacle this evening, from one of their best programmes.

JUVENILE COLORED CONCERT.-The children at tending Grammar School No. 2, Laurens street, under the leadership of their teacher, Mr. Waldron, gave a Concert at the Tabernacle last evening. There was a good attendance, and the children acquitted themselves

In the Board of Aldermen last evening H. H. Howard was confirmed se Chief Engineer of the Fire Department. The Committee on Markets reported again in favor of the Lowber lots, and adverse to those foot of Eleventh street. A resolution was adopted to compel the Harlem Railroad Company to make their track in the Bowery thorough and complete. The new stage route sought to be forced upon the residents of Lexington avenue and other streets, against their will, came up again, and both the misority and majority Reports were lost for want of a constitutional vote. A vote to recognider was also lost, and so great was the feeling that the result brought down loud applause.

The Lexington avenue stage line bill was killed last night in the Board of Aldermen by a tight squeeze. Had it gone as intended it would have slipped through both Boards before anybody understood it; but through the press the people interested got hold of it, and so much opposition sprung up that the necessary number could not be mustered in the final vote.

By private advices from Callao, Peru, we learn that am C. Smth, formerly of Liverpool, and recently Cashier of the "Pacific Steamship Co.," at Callao, died at that place on the 7th of January last. On the 6th, in endeavoring to take a pistol from a person who had made a difficulty in a store, the pistol was discharged, ledging the contents in Smith's body. He died next day from the effects of the wound. Mr. Smith was twenty-two years of age, and was much respected in Cullan. He had also a large circle of friends in the city of New-York.

RELIEF FOR THE BLIND .- The Committee on Finance of the Board of Councilmen, met yesterday afternoon in the City Library, for the purpose of examining various papers that had been referred to them. Among other matters the Committee considered the petition from the employees in the manufacturing epartment of the Institution for the Blind, setting forth that they were greatly necessitated from want of work, and praying for aid. The Committee determined upon recommending an appropriation of \$500 for their relief.

At a recent meeting of this Committee, they concluded upon recommending an appropriation of \$2,000 for the introduction of a new system of music in the same Institution, providing other cities would contribute to make up the sum of \$10,000, the amount required to introduce the system. We understand that the Corporation of Boston have agreed to contribute for the purpose with the same provision as made by the Corporation here. Applications will be made to Philadelphia and other cities whence pupils are sent to this Institution.

We are desired to state that the intention of the District-Attorney to place the Mirece Cunningham in charge of the ladies of the House of Mercy is one which cannot be complied with by that institution. The House of Mercy is intended solely for the relief of persons of undoubted character, who is the ordinary circumstances of life are in need of a temporary place of residence, and has no means for the reception of witnesses kept under the surveillance of the authorities, or of persons with regard to whom suspicions are generally entertained.

We are requested to state that the Officer Martin, against whom charges have been preferred before the Board of Police Commissioners, is not Lieut. Martin of the Fifth Ward Police.

THE SHIMMERTONS-INDIGNATION MEETING AT NEW BOCKELLE .- On the 5th uit. THE TRIBUSE &!luded to some outrageous proceedings on the part of a gang of "Skimmertons" at New Rochelle, on the occacion of the marriage of an aged wealthy gentleman of that place, from whom they extorted the sum of \$40

by threats of appoyance to his domestic privacy, & a. The respectable law-and-order-loving citizens of that place have since that period taken up the subject in arrest, ferreted out most of the names of the lawless individuals engaged in the outrage in question, with a full determination of punishing them with the utmost severity of the law, should they repeat such proceed-

At the beginning of last week the following call for a public meeting was immediately signed by about one

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"Whereas, a most reprehensible practice of demanding feed and drink, and extorting money from persons newly married, has been carried on in our midel by a certain combination of persons under the name of 'Skimmertons,' and watereas, in this particular, as well as their proceedings in general on occasions of marriage being centrary to law and subversive of good morals and decent manners, their conduct disreputable and injurious to the interests and prospectly of our place calling loudly for the reprobation of every well-disposed member of our community—
"Therefore, we, the undersigned citizens of New-Rockelle, appoint a meeting to be held at Reber's Hotel on the 12th of Febraary, at 70 clock in the evening, to which we earnestly invite all persons desirous of retrieving the injured reputation of our town and village, for the purpose of concerting measures and agreeing upon some course of action which shall be effectual in terminating at once all such unjustifiable intrusion upon our domestic rights, and gross violation of the peace, confort and welfare of society."

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meeting was held on Thursday evening last. Dr. Albert Smith was called to the chair, and Levi Underbill, esq., appointed Vice-President of the meeting. Dr. Smith, on taking the chair, stated the objects for which the citizens had been called together-after

which the citizens had been called together—after which the following resolutions were read and adopted:

"Whereas, The preservation of the morshity and good order of society is the dury of every citizen, and is demanded by both individual and social interest; and whereas, a decent regard for the privacy of domestic life and a due respect for all its proprieties should characterize every Christian and civilized community; and whereas, there has existed among certain individuals of our town a reprehensible practice of demanding from newly-married persons refreshments in food and drink, or an equivalent in money; and whereas, the demonstrations and greetings of these individuals on the occasions referred to have been discretely and riotous, as well as a gross invasion of sacred rights; therefore.

"Resolved, That this meeting expresses its most decided disapprobation of all such acts and doings, and earnestly requests all persons to refrain from the same in future.

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"Resolved, That in case this friendly remonstrance and request be disregarded, the proper officers and on servators of the peace in our town are respectfully solicited to interfere in the exercise of their legitimate authority to prevent hereafter any such intended or attempted proceedings.

"Resolved, That if the town authorities shall neglect, or be mable to ducharge their duty in this matter, and such acts and doings shall again take piace in our midst, we hereby solemnly piedge ourselves to each other to unite our influence, efforts and means to procedute all such offenders to the utmost extent of the law, and to persevere therein, until this most objectionable and to persevere therein, until this most objectionable and offensive intrusion on our domestic privacy and

rights shall cease.

"Resolved. That this expression of our views, opinions, and intentions, is not only our just and unquestionable privilege as free and independent citizens, but is due to our dignity as members of this community, as well as required by the best interests and honorable eputation of our town."

After the appointment of a Vigilance Committee of

thirteen to look after the lawless individuals in question, the meeting adjourned, subject to the call of the

APPEAL FOR THE POOR.—The ladies in charge of the Hudson River Industrial School, No. 254 West Twenty-eights affect, have been for two years and a half aiding to feed and teach the poor young street girls of this quarter. Each have agree much time and means for this object, and have been happy to see hundreds of the wretched children of crime and poyetty locking more cleanly, happy and better, under the industrial beauty of the school. But they cannot carry this on alone. They feel that they have the right to appeal to the public for aid in what above all is a public service, the education of the poor and unfortunate. They believe that the people have confidence in their efforts, but that, absorbed in more exciting master, so apparently trivial a thing as the teaching and thristiantialing of an outcast little ghi in lags and fish, is quite overlooked.

They must have immediate aid, or crop the school. The annual expense for food, rent, salries, &c., are \$1,000. They have not \$30 in the treasury. All domatons may be sent to the school, or to the Children's Aid Society or to the understance.

MRS. M. HILGER, No. 32 Meet 224-st.

A. H. Gibbon's No. 12 Lannarons-place.

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CRUEL TREATMENT OF A PUBLIC SCHOOL POPIL BY A TRACHER—James Fitzgerald, a boy I by years old but small of his see, and apparently of a dedicate constitution, was brought into the Mayor's Office by g goatleman, yesterday morning, and made on plant against John J. Anderson, a teacher in Ward School No. 5!, in Motroe street, between Governeur and Montgomery, for cruelly besting him, without the slightest provocation. The boy resides with his parents at No. 244 Mouroe street. He sta'ed that the teacher ordered two of the classes to go down stairs; they did so, but shuffled their feet in the act, whereupon the teacher fell open the boys, and cut and stashed with his rattain indiscriminately. The compliainant, sithough not a member of these classes, but simply standing by, received several care, one of which hid his head open at the top of his forebead and test the temple, and another directly upon the top of his forebead and test the temple, and another directly upon the top of his forebead and test the temple, and another directly upon the top of his forebead and bear the temple, and another directly upon the top of his forebead and test the temple, and another directly upon the top of his forebead and test the temple, and another directly upon the top of his forebead and test the test seed and the could do nothing for him—he had better set a warrant, but concluded by remarking that he would lay the matter before the Board of Trustees at their next meeting. The boy then came to the Mayor's Office, as stated, the blood still streaming from the wounds. Marshal Stephens denoted an other processing the second of the second and the streaming trees the wounds. Marshal Stephens denoted an other second and the second of the the secon Mayor's Office, as stated, the blood still etreaming from the wounds. Marshal Stephens deputed an officer to go with Fitz-gerald to the Tombe and get a warrant for the arrest of Ander-son.

FATAL FALL FROM A ROOF .- Patrick McHugh, native of Ireland, thirty years of age, died on Monday morning from concussion of the brain, received on Saturday last, from the effects of a fail from the root of a stable, No. 50 West. Fit teenth street, upon which he went for the purpose of fastening the cover of the scuttle. Coroner Hills held an inquest upon the bony, and a verifict of "Accidental Death" was reinfered.

CHARGE OF GRAND LARCENY .- Patrick Hickey and Ohn Young were yesterday arrested charged with stealing from the boat Elsinore, lying at Pier No. 6 East River, 4,500 pounts of nutgalls, valued at \$200. Policeman Ryan of the First Ward round the property in possession of Hickey, who had it on a cart in Bridge street, and Young, who is mate of the ves-sel, confessed that it was taken from that boat. Justice Com-nelly committed the accused to await examination.

Passing a Forget Order.—A man named Abel P. Harriot was arrested on Monday afternoon, charged with felomonaly passing a draft or order purporting to have been signed by Charles Anness of Stamford, Ct., on Messra. Goodwin & Cost of No. Se Water street, who gave him the amount of it (4 is 87) supposing it to be genuine, but subsequently accertained that it had been forged. The accused was committed by Justice Connelly for trial.

BURNED TO DEATH .- Catharine Byrne, an Irish weman, 50 years of age, died yesterday at No. 92 Oliver street, from the effects of burns neceived on the 18th uit, at which time her clothes accidentally took fire from a grate. Coroner Perry held an inquest upon the body.

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The undersigned, in nawer to a card in yesterday's papera, signed John Bishop Hall, in which he repudiates all paternity with the pictures produced in my establishment undershe title of "Hakotypes," would state, in justice to himself and tae public, that the substance of said stitle is faise.

Having an exclusive interest to practice the above style in my establishment, No. 349 Broadway, and having sustained the expenses attendant upon securing letters patent, by and with the consent of said Hall, and being equally interested with him in the disposal of said patents throughout the United States and Europe, I am at a less to account for the language he has employed.

The 56 specimens by this process which I had on exhibition yesterday, and which were greatly admired by some 500 artists and connolascurs who examined them, were produced under the direction and by our patented process, and I am perfectly willing to leave to the public to decide upon the ments of the lew specimens that have received his exclusive personal "managulation," in comparison with those produced to my establishment under our joint supervision.

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LONG ISLAND ROAD.—[Depot, South Farry, Brooklyn.]

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Monday at 6:10 a. m., making all the stops.

MORRIS AND ESSEX ROAD.—(Depot, foot of Courtinadest., N. 18.28 a. m.—Hacketistiow n Fanescher, all Time Table stations.

11.50 a. m.—Orange and Milibura Accommodation all stations.

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CAMDEN AND AMBOY ROAD,—(Depot. Pier No. 1, Battery, 100 p.m. Emprant, through to Phila helpine, all statuous 200 p.m. Express, through to Philadelpine, principal stations. 100 p.m. Empress Through, all stations all go by reambouts John Potter, Atlas and Transport, to Amboy.

BROOKLYN ITEMS.

Brooklyn, on Thursday night, to make some suit yellow fever at Fort Hamilton last Summer.

terday of the death of A. D. Moore, formerly one of the principal stockholders of the Williamsburgh Ferries. About a year since Mr. Moore, in consequence of heaith, disposed of his property in Williamsburgh and removed to Florida, where he died on the 10th of last

police, on the charge of collecting together for the purpose of prize-fighting, were discharged by Justice Blachly yesterday, on the ground that they were not actually engaged in disturbing the peace.

Health Officer, reports the following as the number 55; females, 52; men, 12; boys, 43; women, 22; girls, 30. Total, 107. Of these, 20 were natives of the United States, and 17 of foreign countries. MARRIAGE IN A POLICE COURT .- Justice Curtin

THE NEW FERRY .- The Mayor has signed the ease for a new ferry at the foot of Fulton street. John

authority of ex-Mayor Berry, that this ferry well go into operation between the 1st and 10th of April. The bridge to be placed in the slip at James slip is already constructed, and the piles will be driven in a few days.

Foc.-Early yesterday morning, and during portion of the forencon, there was a dense fox on the Kast River. The Peck-slip Ferry boats experienced considerable difficulty in making their tripe.

THE SEVENTH WARD ELECTION.—The election for Alderman of the Seventh Ward takes place to-day. Two conditates are in the field—Mesers. Howe, Democrat, and Waiss, Republican and American. A great deal of interest is manifested, as the political complexion of the Board of Alderman will be devided by the choice maid. A posse of police from the First District are directed to be in attendance.

Decision in the Police Case.—Judge Birdsoye delivered his declared yesterday in the case of Augustus Reynologs and others against the City of Brooklys. Fishing was applier man, and, with others, was removed on the advent of the new Administration. They hold that they could not be removed without being regularly tried, and claimed pay for cerrices from the time they were removed. The Judge states that "a tree hew new stands, I think policemen removable at the "pleasure of the authority which appointed them." "It is well restled, both in this country and in England, that when "an office is held at the pleasure of the appointing power, the mere appointment of a successor is of itself a removal of the "prior incumbent. If, therefore, one of the Aldermen, in conjunction with the Mayor, may appoint policemen, they may in that manner remova from Office the prior incumbent. If, therefore, one of the Aldermen, they may in that manner remova from Office the prior incumbent." A complete appointment may be made by the act of one Aldermen man and the Mayor. The other Alderman may other neglector or refine to join in the appointment; or he may make a different monaristion. The concurrence of the Mayor with one of the Aldermen makes the appointment perfect. The allegation of the completial in a best-size that the removal of the plaintiff and his assignors from office was made by one of the Alderman of the Board not conjunction with the Mayor, the other Alderman of the Board not consenting thereto. It seems to be shown that one of the Aldermen either neglected or refused to join, in order the confidence of the Alderman of the Board not consenting thereto. It seems to be shown that one of the Alderman either neglected or refused to join, in order the confidence of the Alderman of the Board not consenting thereto. It seems to be shown that one of the Alderman either neglected or refused to join, in which case the set of the other Alderman and the Mayor is ill that is required by law. The desurrer must be sustained, and join ment

THE HENRY CLAY CASE .- The action brought by Joseph Lockett and wife against the owners of the Henry Clay, for damages, was finally concluded in Courty sterday. The trial lasted for zero weeks, bein action that has been brought against the steambest on the same plainted. The damages changes was \$15, Judge (Shrong) charged the Jury favorship to the defendents. The damages of the Jury, after an absence of nearly an hour, brough duct for defendants.

WILLIAMSBURGH SAVINGS BANK.—The total number of deposits in this institution for the year 1856, was 10,334. The total amount of money deposited since the opening of the Bank in 1831 is \$683,452 12.

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TRAVELERS GUIDE.

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THE PRIZE-FIGHTERS -The men arrested on Sunday morning by the Eighth Ward and Third District

BROOKLYN CITY MORTALITY.-Dr. W. Cleveland. deaths in this city for the week ending Feb. 14: Males,

rietta Engel on Saturday last. A mischievous police-man circulated the report that they were Mr. Scodgrass and Miss Cunningham, which collected a large crowd of idlers, many of whom followed the couple for some distance after they left the Court. They finally, however, ascertained that they were mistaken.

A. Dayton and associates are the lessess. The dools belongs to this city, but the privilege to grant a ferry license belongs New-York, which some Brooklynites do not appear to be aware of, and therefore calculate that the new ferry will soon be in operation. SOUTH TENTH-STREET FERRY .- It is stated on the

BURGLART — A man named Charles Mehan entitle face store of Mrs. Clarises Adams in Columbia-store noon pesterday, by hoisting the back window. The proper